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1. The Head of the Marketing Department for Coal in the Ministry for Heavy Industry - Staako (fnu) - reported a shortage of 40,000 tons in brown coal briquette production since 1 January, 1955.

2. As a result of this shortage, 22 factories in the Bezirk Dresden had shut down operations as of 8 January, 1955.

3. SDAG Wismut has been receiving only 17 carloads of coal daily since 1 January, 1955, instead of the 70 carloads planned.

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